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REMARKS

Following the reception of the Notice of Allowance for this application Applicants noticed that the cross-reference paragraph was missing in the specification to properly claim priority. However, the priority claim to U.S. Provisional application Serial 60/226,678, filed August 22, 2000, was correctly recorded by the Patent Office at the time of filing of the application.

MPEP § 201.11 III requires the specification must contain a specific reference to the prior application. It should appear as the first sentence of the specification. The present amendment adds a cross-reference paragraph before paragraph [0001]. Applicants believe this is the only requirement necessary to correct the situation since the claim to priority was recorded on the filing receipt as mentioned in MPEP § 201.11 III F.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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